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Appendix 6

MEDIA COVERAGE OF ACHRH CAMPAIGN TO BAN DOWRY IN AUSTRALIA

Parliament tabling of petition and Media Coverage

Petition to make dowry illegal by calling it economical abuse under the FV Legislation 2008 was initiated by ACHRH. The petition has been signed by 600 people so far. It has been tabled TWICE in the Victorian Parliament by Ted Baillieu. - on 13 March 2014 and 26 June 2014

The petition is currently active and attached .

Ted Baillieu, former Victorian premier, calls for ban on marriage dowries

Updated 23 May 2014, 1:36pm

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2014-05-23/ted-baillieu-calls-for-dowry-ban/5472710>

Dowry's dark shadow

Date May 23, 2014

Rachel Kleinman

Indian women living in Australia suffer domestic violence stemming from a tradition that some say should be outlawed.

<http://www.smh.com.au/world/dowrys-dark-shadow-20140522-38ris.html>

Former Victorian Premier Ted Baillieu is leading a push for a ban on brides being forced to bestow valuable dowries on their husbands.

By GARETH BOREHAM

Source:

23 May 2014 - 7:12 PM UPDATED 23 May 2014 - 8:37 PM

<http://www.sbs.com.au/news/article/2014/05/23/renewed-call-ban-dowries-australias-indian-communities>

Dowry's dark side: 'Mental, physical, financial abuse'

Peggy Giakoumelous

26 Jun 2014 - 4:32pm

<http://www.sbs.com.au/news/article/2014/06/26/dowrys-dark-side-mental-physical-financial-abuse>

Australians falling victim to dowry abuse

Updated 5 July 2014, 21:25 AEST

Australia Network News

Dowry extortion is a long standing problem in India and Pakistan, but now it appears to be on the rise in Australia.

<http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/international/2014-07-05/australians-falling-victim-to-dowry-abuse/1338>

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[A Proposed Anti-Dowry Law Sparks Debate In A Multi-Cultural Society](#)

By [ALANA ROSENBAUM](#) | October 1, 2014

- See more at: <http://www.caravanmagazine.in/print/4763#sthash.DC504U0L.dpuf>

Dowry ban debate gains momentum in Australia

The Indian Sun

<http://www.theindiansun.com.au/dowry-ban-debate-gains-momentum/>

SHOCKING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STATISTICS REVEALED

The Indian Link

[Tim Blight](#)

January 31, 2014

<http://www.indianlink.com.au/shocking-domestic-violence-statistics-revealed/>

MIGRANTS 'SHOULD SIGN ANTI-DOWRY AFFIDAVIT'

Date December 9, 2014

RACHEL KLEINMAN

THE SYDNEY MORNING HEARLD NATIONAL

<http://www.smh.com.au/national/migrants-should-sign-antidowry-affidavit-20141209-1233tt.html>

[LISTEN TO DOWRIES CAUSE FAMILY VIOLENCE: CLAIM - OMNY](#)

The Age on-line

Dec 14, 2014 - Chanting "sorry, sorry, no *dowry*" about 50 members of Melbourne's Indian ... are suffering *abuse* when Indian men with permanent *Australian* ...

<http://omnyapp.com/shows/the-age-headlines/dowries-cause-family-violence-claim>



INDIAN COMMUNITY PROTEST AGAINST DOWRIES

Date December 14, 2014

CHLOE BOOKER

<http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/indian-community-protest-against-dowries-20141214-126za2.html>

Practice of dowry in Chinese Australians

Victim's mother-in-law wanted \$500,000, court hears

Shannon Deery

Herald Sun

March 24, 2013 8:30PM

<http://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/law-order/victims-mother-in-law-wanted-500000-court-hears/story-fnat79vb-1226604541932>

..... The victim's mother told the court she'd had concerns about her daughter marrying into the Zhuang family, because they had a reputation for being concerned only about money.

She said she had reluctantly given permission for the marriage after her daughter threatened to run away overseas and a \$150,000 dowry to her family was agreed.

But she said her daughter later complained of being mistreated by her mother-in-law.

She said Mrs Zhuang had told her daughter she believed if her son married another Chinese woman he could earn up to \$500,000 because he had permanent residency in Australia.